

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28<sup>TH</sup> SESSION: COUNCIL -  
PART III**

*Please fill out one form for each textual proposal which your delegation(s) wish(es) to amend, add or delete and send to [council@isa.org.jm](mailto:council@isa.org.jm).*

**1. Name of Working Group:**

IWG – Institutional matters

**2. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal:**

Submitted by Nauru Ocean Resources Inc., Tonga Offshore Mining Ltd. and Blue Minerals Jamaica Ltd.

**3. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.**

Draft Regulation 90(1)

**4. Kindly provide the proposed amendments to the regulation or standard or guideline in the text box below, using the “track changes” function in Microsoft Word. Please only reproduce the parts of the text that are being amended or deleted.**

1. The Secretary-General shall be responsible for maintaining the confidentiality of all Confidential Information **held by the Authority** and shall not, except with ~~good cause or~~ the prior written consent of a Contractor, release such information to any person external to the Authority. [...]

**5. Please indicate the rationale for the proposal. [150-word limit]**

- We oppose allowing the Secretary-General to release Confidential Information without the prior written consent of the Contractor. In any event, “good cause” is an amorphous term that does not provide the Secretary-General with sufficient guidance to make such a determination. As such we propose the term is deleted from Draft Regulation 90(1).